

Region IX RPAB
Minutes
Sept. 23, 2008

Attendance: Dr. Feltoon, Dt. Tout, Dr. Hausrod, Dr. Sauto, Ms. Owens

Minutes of the May Region IX meeting were reviewed.

There was discussion about the National Registry rules which mandate that all paramedic training center have an affiliation with an institute of higher learning in order for their students to be eligible to take the National Registry exam. The impact on training in our region was discussed.

All members were again asked to provide to ODPS a photo and short bio for the website.

We have not had any representation from Geauga County for a long time and Dr. Tout said she would contact Geauga Hospital to seek a physician willing to serve on the RPAB.

RPAB rules are being revised, and should be voted on at the October EMS Committee meeting. From there they will be forwarded to JCAR for further action. These revisions will help to better define the role of the RPAB.

There was discussion about post-resuscitation hypothermia and the challenges to EMS in attempting to provide this modality.

A list of known EMS directors in Region IX was distributed. Any changes should be forwarded to Ellen Owens.

There has been no further action on DNR changes, and none are anticipated until some time in 2009.

All RPAB meeting is Nov. 13 in Columbus.

Next Region IX meeting is Dec. 9.

Respectfully submitted,



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